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### **Arizona Planting Intentions Survey Results**

Upland cotton acreage in Arizona is expected to total 180,000 acres, a decrease of 10,000 acres from a year ago, according to a planting intentions survey conducted by the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Arizona Field Office. Arizona's American-Pima producers intended to plant 3,000 acres, a decrease of 4,000 acres. Nationally, upland cotton acres are expected to total 11.9 million, down 21 percent from 2006 and American-Pima acreage is expected to decrease 10 percent, to 292,000 acres. California producers expect to plant 250,000 acres, down 9 percent from last year.

Field corn acreage for all purposes is expected to total 55,000 acres in Arizona, 10 percent more than a year ago. For the United States, corn growers intend to plant 90.5 million acres, up 15 percent from 2006. If realized, this would be the highest acreage since 1944, when 95.5 million acres were planted for all purposes.

Arizona sorghum growers are expected to plant 35,000 acres, 11,000 acres more than in 2006. Nationally, sorghum acreage is expected to increase 9 percent to 7.11 million acres.

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Arizona hay growers are expected to harvest 290,000 acres, 5,000 acres less than last year. This acreage includes both alfalfa and other types of hay. Total U.S. hay acreage intended to be harvested is estimated at 63.1 million acres, up 4 percent from a year ago.

Arizona's Durum wheat seedings are estimated at 80,000 acres, up 5,000 acres from 2006. For the United States, area seeded to Durum wheat is expected to total 1.99 million acres, up 6 percent from a year ago. Arizona's seedings of wheat other than Durum are set at 4,000 acres, unchanged from last year. Arizona's barley acreage is estimated at 30,000 acres, up 5,000 acres from 2006. Nationally, barley growers intend to plant 3.70 million acres for 2007, up 7 percent from last year.

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